



GREEN BELT

Plan Making Support



The 2024 National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) contains important implications for Local Planning Authorities where **Green Belt** is situated which **require careful consideration through the plan-making process**. There is now a clearer emphasis on Green Belt boundaries being reviewed through the preparation or updating of local plans, particularly to meet development needs.

The 2024 NPPF also introduced **grey belt**, which comprises previously developed land and/or any other land that does not contribute strongly to specific Green Belt purposes. Within grey belt, development is not regarded as inappropriate providing it does not undermine the purposes of the remaining Green Belt.

Support from Hyas Associates

Hyas associates can support Local Planning Authorities in undertaking **Green Belt Reviews**. We have a strong track record as trusted advisors and can provide a service which is flexible and adaptable whilst also following the anticipated standardised guidance. We also work with like-minded consultancies and can add specialisms such as on GIS, ecology and landscape to the team as needed.

We can provide support for the following:

- Undertaking or commissioning and managing Green Belt reviews at a local or more strategic level.
- Interpreting conclusions from Green Belt reviews for plan-making at a local or strategic level.
- Supporting LPA's to undertake a Green Belt and grey belt review and advise on methodology as required.
- Undertaking updates to Green Belt reviews to explore potential areas of grey belt.

Further to Green Belt reviews, Hyas can provide a **range of bespoke services** related to the Green Belt and its implications for plan-making. This includes but is not limited to:

- Strategic advice on exceptional circumstances related to Housing, Employment or other need.
- Advice on policy wording including for Green Belt, safeguarded land and grey belt.
- Strategic advice on cross-boundary planning issues related to Green Belt release.
- Advice in relation to Green Belt release associated with new settlements.

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